

A simple two story frame house which, by virtue of its relatively unaltered appearance and positioning, plays an integral role in the cohesive late 19th century streetscape of Ware Ave. These buildings are still used as residences and as a collection are rare among the many blocks of Townson that have either been demolished by highrise construction or commercial conversion.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

*Deichelman House*

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

*105 Ware Ave.*

CITY, TOWN

*Towson*

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

*Maryland*

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

—DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

—STRUCTURE

—SITE

—OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

—PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

—BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

—IN PROCESS

—BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED

—UNOCCUPIED

—WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

—YES: UNRESTRICTED

—NO

**PRESENT USE**

—AGRICULTURE

—COMMERCIAL

—EDUCATIONAL

—ENTERTAINMENT

—GOVERNMENT

—INDUSTRIAL

—MILITARY

—MUSEUM

—PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

—RELIGIOUS

—SCIENTIFIC

—TRANSPORTATION

—OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

*William E. Beck*

Telephone #: *296-0242*

STREET & NUMBER

*105 Ware Ave.*

CITY, TOWN

*Towson*

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

*Maryland 21204*

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

*New Courts Building*

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

*Towson*

STATE

*Maryland*

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CA-1514

**7 DESCRIPTION**

**CONDITION**

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT       | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR            | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED    |

**CHECK ONE**

- ☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

- ☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE Spring, 1978

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

See Attachment

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See Attachment

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Student, Goucher College

DATE

TELEPHONE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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105 Ware Ave.

A two-story cross-gable structure is located at 105 Ware Ave. This structure is covered with asbestos shingle siding and features a tin covered roof. The main block is three bays wide and features a centrally located entrance and a brick chimney located on the eastern-most gable-end of the roof-line.

The north facade is characterized by regular fenestration of three  $4/4$  light windows with shutters on the second floor and two floor to ceiling  $4/4$  sash windows with shutters located on the first floor. Also present on the first floor is a centrally located door featuring a 6 light panel in the upper portion and a single panel in the lower portion. The first floor facade is covered by a full porch supported by four square columns and railing with square balusters between. Tongue and groove paneling was noted on the ceiling and floor of the porch. The porch floor rests on brick piers with lattice-work filling in between.

The east facade of the structure is characterized by the end-wall of the main block with slightly over-hanging eaves. Also visible is a stone foundation with one window lighting the basement. The facade features a projection to the south including a brick foundation and an entrance with a porch, one bay wide. This projection features a single  $4/4$  light window centrally located in the first story.

Three bays of the projection (addition) and one visible bay of the main block characterize the south facade. The addition features one  $1/1$  sash window in the western bay of the first floor and one centrally located  $4/2$  light sash window. The second floor features a centrally located  $4/4$  window and a  $4/2$  window in the eastern bay. The main block is characterized by two  $4/4$  sash windows with shutters, and a visible stone foundation of

105 Ware Ave.

the main block with an exterior basement entrance. The projecting addition features a brick foundation pierced by one centrally located 1 light window and two basement entrances located in either bay.

Visible on the west facade is a projection to the south featuring an overhanging second story with a 4/4 light window and a first story without windows. The main block features two bays with 4/4 light windows and shutters. A formstone foundation is noticeable for supporting the projection on this facade, with two 4 light casement windows lighting the basement.

## WARE AVENUE

Those individuals who owned small business and who often either owned or rented smaller dwellings in Towson played their part in making this community the important service center that it was during the 19th century. It is fair to say, however, that in its earliest days some areas of Towson were shaped in great part by a handful of large families who owned large amounts of land that they subdivided. Prior to the establishment of the Court House these included such families as the Bosleys, Paynes, Chews and Towsons, as well as the Schmucks and the Snealeys. After the establishment of Towson as the county seat there was a great deal of development, buying and speculation. A group of men from West Chester, Pennsylvania which included John T. Ensor, Amos and John Rutter and David McConhey, are known to have purchased large tracts on both the east and west sides of town in the 1850's, and it was under their influence that so many of our streets and lots took shape.

There was another family who owned a large amount of land on the north edge of town prior to the 1850's and whose holdings eventually played a role in shaping that particular neighborhood. Nathan H. Ware owned land on the north side of West Joppa Road at least as early as 1843. The Zur Horst map of ten years later shows that "N. H. Ware" also owned an improved parcel on the south side of town, just North of the Bowen House on York Road. The Wares owned the Joppa Road property throughout most of the second half of the 19th century, although by the 1890's this land had been subdivided into lots improved with the frame dwellings that are still there today. It is the history of this family that determined the course of this neighborhood and which lead to its eventual development. That it was developed in the last quarter of the 19th century is evident from the style of the buildings on "Ware" Avenue, and it is through these buildings that that street derives its very specific and individual character. It is one of the few streets left in Towson that exhibits a relatively unaltered genuine Victorian streetscape.



## TITLE SEARCH for # 105 WARE AVE.

Liber 3120, Folio 289 March 11, 1957

Grantor: Beatrice R. Hawkins, Exec. for August C. Deichelman

Grantee: William E. Beck & wife

"Beginning...southwest side of Ware Ave. East 370' measured from the corner formed by intersection of southwest side of Washington Ave. with southeast side of Baltimore Ave. as laid out on Plat of Ware's Addition to Towsontown...Plat Book 1/47...East 85.02' to place of beginning."

Liber 541, Folio 300 June 23, 1921

Grantor: Clara M. Whittle

Grantee: August C. Deichelman

"Beginning...north side of Ware Ave...150' to place of beginning."

Liber 112, Folio 191 May 24, 1879

Grantor: Valverda A. P. Ware & wife

Grantee: Eliza Whittle

Liber 96, Folio 194 April 7, 1876

Grantor: Samuel Pinkerton, Exec.

Grantee: Valverda A. P. Ware

Lot No. 14 - Plat of Ware property recorded in the Land Records 96/186.

Ward Ave.  
#105  
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